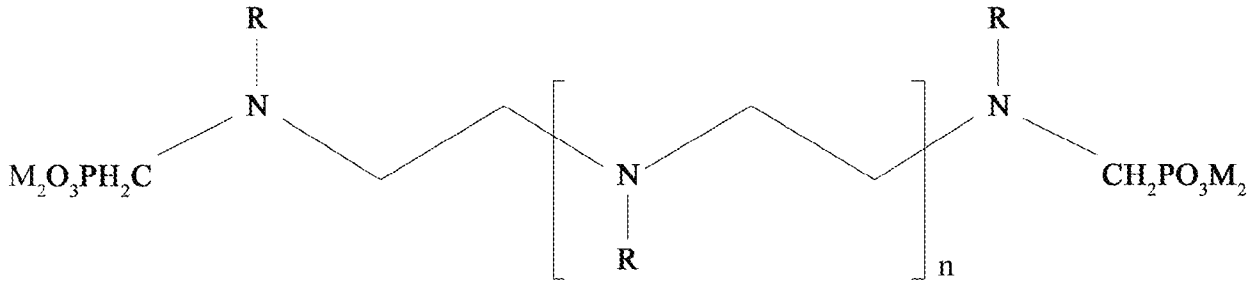
AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

~~Use~~ A method of use of polyaminomethylenephosphonates as dispersing~~, and/or~~ wetting, and/or stabilizing agents in formulations for cements, detergents, ceramic materials, dyes, synthetic resins, ~~and~~ rubbers, drilling fluids, and for reverse osmosis~~, as a substitution of or in combination with commercial products suitable for the purpose, characterized in that said polyaminomethylenephosphonates have~~ includes the step of adding a polyaminomethylenephosphonate having the formula:~~. (I)~~



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wherein n is an integer higher than 2, M is ~~hydrogen or a cation selected from those of alkaline metals and the ammonium ion~~ an alkaline metal or the ammonium ion, and ~~the residues R, the same or different, are independently selected from 1.~~ R is: $-CH_2PO_3M_2$; ~~, 2. $-CH_2R^1$ with R^1 selected from~~ $-CH_2Z$, wherein Z is $-CH_2OH$, $-CHOHCH_3$, $-CHOHCH_2Cl$, or $-CHOHCH_2OH$;~~, 3.~~ $-(CH_2)_mSO_3M$, m being ~~equal to~~ 3 or 4;~~, 4. $-CH_2CH_2R^2$ with R^2 equal to~~ $-CH_2CH_2T$, wherein T is $-CONH_2$, $CONH_2$, -CHO, ~~$-COOR^3$~~ -COOQ, -COOX, CN, ~~R^3 being either~~ wherein Q is $-CH^3$ or $-C_2H_5$ and X ~~a cation selected from the meanings of M and from the fact that said polyaminomethylenephosphonates are~~ is an alkaline metal ion or the ammonium ion; and wherein the polyaminomethylenephosphonate is present ~~in the formulation of interest~~ in a weight quantity of over 0.01% with respect to the total weight of the formulation ~~itself~~.